(c) if so, details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ): (a) Railway medical facilities are developed taking into account, the number of railway establishments, employees, quarters and availability of nearest Railway and civil medical facilities in a particular area.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Urea Import Contracts

5059. SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are considering a pre-condition for all the urea import contracts and tightening their grip on the public sector fertilizer companies in the light of recent Urea Scam;

(b) if so, the new conditions laid down by the Government;

(c) whether Government have decided that financial decision taken by the public sector fertilizer units will be approved by the Government norms and Company Board, and

(d) if so, the extent to which this would help to check the scams?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI SIS RAM OLA): (a) to (d) In the aftermath of NFL-Karsan experience, the Government is reviewing the procedures for import of urea with a view to make them more foolproof. The Government has, in the meantime, reiterated to all the fertilizer manufacturing PSUs that all important matters having major financial implications including unusual issues involving departure from the laid down procedure shall be placed before the Board of Directors for prior approval.

Shifting of Railway Line

5060. DR. ARUN KUMAR SARMA:
DR. PRABIN CHANDRA SARMA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a proposal to shift the railway line from Jalukbari to Guwahati to avoid congestion in the Guwahati city;

(b) whether a master plan was prepared for Greater Guwahati by the Government of Assam in which the existing railway line was shown to be shifted to the foothills of Kalapahar, the southern-most edge of Guwahati; and

(c) if so, the response of the Union Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ): (a) No, Sir.

(b) It is understood that some proposals were made but no such masterplan including any shifting of Railway Line has been finalised or approved.

(c) Does not arise.

[Translation]

Veterinary Hospitals in U.P.

5061 SHRI S.P. JAISWAL: Will the Minister of ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING be pleased to state:

(a) the details of veterinary hospitals and insemination centres in Uttar Pradesh particularly in the Meerut and Varanasi districts;

(b) whether the Government propose to increase the number of veterinary hospitals and insemination centres in the State; and

(c) if so, the time by which the same would be done and the locations where these hospitals, centres are likely to be opened?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI RAGHUVANSH PRASAD SINGH): (a) to (c) The information is being gathered from the State and will be placed on the Table of the House.

[English]

Recruitment of Women in Paramilitary Forces

5062. SHRI P.R. DASMUNSI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the policy on the women recruitment in the Para-military Forces;

(b) the total number of women personnel recruited upto March 31, 1996 in the Para-military Forces;

(c) whether the Government propose to provide any priority to NCC Cadets; and

(d) if so, the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA): (a) Women are eligible for recruitment in the Central Para-Military Forces in different fields.

(b) Total number of women personnel recruited in the Para-Military Forces upto 31.3.1996 is 3663.